Violence in the Middle East: H. Con. Res. 426, concerning the violence in the Middle East (a yea and nay vote of 365 yeas to 30 nays with 11 voting "present," Roll No. 549); and Pages H10842-43

Great Sand Dunes National Preserve in the State of Colorado: S. 2547, to provide for the establishment of the Great Sand Dunes National Park and the Great Sand Dunes National Preserve in the State of Colorado (passed by a yea and nay vote of 366 yeas to 34 nays, Roll No. 550)—clearing the measure for the President.

Pages H10843-44

Suspension Failed—Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor: The House failed to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 5375, amended, to establish the Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor in the State of New York (failed to pass by a 2/3 yea and nay vote of 223 yeas to 183 nays, Roll No. 548). The bill was debated on Tuesday, Oct. 24.

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Rule Providing for Further Continuing Appropriations Resolutions: The House agreed to H. Res. 646, providing for consideration of House Joint Resolutions 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, and 120, each making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2001 by a yea and nay vote of 205 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 551.

Pages H10844–49

Further Continuing Appropriations: The House passed H.J. Res. 115, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001 by a yea and nay vote of 395 yeas to 9 nays, Roll No. 552.

Pages H10849-56

Estuaries and Clean Waters Act: The House agreed to the conference report on S. 835, to encourage the restoration of estuary habitat through more efficient project financing and enhanced coordination of Federal and non-Federal restoration programs by voice vote.

Pages H10857-67

H. Res. 648, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report was agreed to by voice vote.

Pages H10856–57

Federal Courts Improvement: The House passed S. 2915, to make improvements in the operation and administration of the Federal courts. Earlier, agreed to an amendment that makes technical changes and strikes section 103.

Pages H10867-71

Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grants: The House passed S. 2413, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to clarify the procedures and conditions for the award of matching grants for the purchase of armor vests—clearing the measure for the President.

Pages H10871-72

Presidential Threat Protection: The House disagreed with the Senate amendments numbered 1 and

3; agreed to the Senate amendments numbered 2 and 4; and agreed to the Senate amendment numbered 5 with an amendment to H.R. 3048, to amend section 879 of title 18, United States Code, to provide clearer coverage over threats against former Presidents and members of their families.

Pages H10872-74

Dairy Market Enhancement: The House passed S. 2773, to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to enhance dairy markets through dairy product mandatory reporting clearing the measure for the President.

Pages H10874–75

Recess: The House recessed at 10:35 p.m. and reconvened at 7:03 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 26.

Pages H10905, H10909

Recess: The House recessed at 7:04 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 26 and reconvened at 8:32 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 26.

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate appear on pages H10812, H10844, and H10880.

Referrals: S. 2811 was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, S. 3164 was referred to the Committees on Judiciary and Commerce, S. 3194 and S.J. Res. 36 were referred to the Committee on Government Reform, and S. Con. Res. 155 was referred to the Committee on International Relations. Page H11192

Quorum Calls Votes: Nine yea and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H10817, H10824–25, H10840–41, H10841–42, H10842, H10843, H10843–44, H10848–49, and H10855–56. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 8:33 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 26.

Committee Meetings

U.S.S. COLE ATTACK

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on the attack on the U.S.S. Cole. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Walter B. Slocombe, Under Secretary (Policy); and Gen. Tommy R. Franks, USA, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Central Command; and Edward S. Walker, Jr., Assistant Secretary (Near Eastern Affairs), Department of State.

"WASTE, FRAUD AND PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION AT THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION"

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a hearing on "Waste, Fraud and Program Implementation at the U.S. Department of Education." Testimony was heard from Richard Riley, Secretary of Education.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2001 CONFERENCE REPORT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 4942, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes and against its consideration. The rule provides that conference report shall be considered as read.

CERTIFIED DEVELOPMENT COMPANY PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS ACT OF 2000 CONFERENCE REPORT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 2614, to amend the Small Business Investment Act to make improvements to the certified development company program, and for other purposes and against its consideration. The rule provides that conference report shall be considered as read.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a rule providing that suspensions will be in order at any time on the legislative day of Thursday, October 26, 2000.

Joint Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREIGN OPERATIONS

Conferees, on Tuesday, October 24, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 4811, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1113)

H.R. 2302, to designate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 307 Main Street in Johnson City, New York, as the "James W. McCabe, Sr. Post Office Building". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–315)

H.R. 2496, to reauthorize the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program Act of 1994. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–316)

H.R. 2641, to make technical corrections to title X of the Energy Policy Act of 1992. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–317)

H.R. 2778, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Taunton River in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–318)

H.R. 2833, to establish the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–319)

H.R. 2938, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 424 South Michigan Street in South Bend, Indiana, as the "John Brademas Post Office". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–320)

H.R. 3030, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 757 Warren Road in Ithaca, New York, as the "Matthew F. McHugh Post Office". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–321)

H.R. 3454, to designate the United States post office located at 451 College Street in Macon, Georgia, as the "Henry McNeal Turner Post Office". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–322)

H.R. 3745, to authorize the addition of certain parcels to the Effigy Mounds National Monument, Iowa. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–323)

H.R. 3817, to dedicate the Big South Trail in the Comanche Peak Wilderness Area of Roosevelt National Forest in Colorado to the legacy of Jaryd Atadero. Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–324)

H.R. 3909, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4601 South Cottage Grove Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Henry W. McGee Post Office Building". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–325)

H.R. 3985, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14900 Southwest 30th Street in Miramar, Florida, as the "Vicki Coceano Post Office Building". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–326)

H.R. 4157, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 600 Lincoln Avenue in Pasadena, California, as the "Matthew 'Mack' Robinson Post Office Building". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–327)

H.R. 4169, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2000 Vassar Street in Reno, Nevada, as the "Barbara F. Vucanovich Post Office Building". Signed October 19, 2000. (P.L. 106–328)

H.R. 4226, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell or exchange all or part of certain administrative sites and other land in the Black Hills National Forest and to use funds derived from the sale or exchange to acquire replacement sites and to acquire or construct administrative improvements in